NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS
DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY
10B AIRLINE DRIVE, ALBANY, NY 12235

MUNICIPAL SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - DL-90

Rating: **Unsatisfactory30** Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **5/1/23 2:00 pm**

Michael Cowles
543 Center Street
Cherry Creek NY 14723

Inspector #: **074**

These are the findings of an inspection of your facility on the date(s) indicated above:

1. Shelter is structurally sound	Yes
2. Housing area and equipment is sanitized regularly	No
Unfinished wood inside primary enclosure does not allow for proper cleaning and sanitization.	
3. Repairs are done when necessary	No
Chewed wood must be repaired or replaced.	
4. Dogs are handled safely	Yes
5. Adequate space is available for all dogs	Yes
6. Light is sufficient for observation	Yes
7. Ventilation is adequate	Yes
8. Drainage is adequate	Yes
9. Temperature extremes are avoided	Yes
10. Clean food and water is available and in ample amount	Yes
11. Veterinary care is provided when necessary	Yes
12. Dogs are euthanized humanely, by authorized personnel	Yes
13. Complete intake and disposition records are maintained for all seized dogs	Yes
14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7	Yes
15. Redemption period is observed before adoption, euthanasia or transfer	Yes
16. Owners of identified dogs are properly notified	Yes
17. Redeemed dogs are licensed before release	Yes
18. Proper impoundment fees paid before dogs are released	Yes
19. Written contract or lease with municipality	No
Missing written contract with Town of Cherry Creek.	

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
0606	Town of Cherry Creek

REMARKS:

All enclosures housing seized dogs must be structurally sound and kept in good repair to keep the dog contained and to protect it from injury. There must be no rust, jagged edges or sharp points. Damaged areas of kennels must be repaired or replaced to prevent dogs from ingesting any materials that may come loose from chewing and clawing the enclosure. Wood is not durable enough for flooring and should not be used as such; it must be sealed if it is used for walls. The walls must be high enough to allow for animal comfort yet prevent animal escape or entry. Securely enclosing the tops with panels of chain-link or sturdy wire mesh will hinder escapes and reduces the height of the walls needed. Outdoor enclosures must be locked to prevent theft or unauthorized release of the dog. Entry by other persons and animals must also be restricted to prevent injuries and disease exposures to them or the impounded dog.

A written contract or lease agreement for shelter services for the Town of Cherry Creek has not been provided for 2023.
According to Article 7 Section 114. Pounds and shelters,
1. Each town and city, and each village in which licenses are issued shall, and any other village and any county may, establish and maintain a pound or shelter for dogs.
2. In lieu of or in addition to establishing and maintaining such pound or shelter, any town or city, or any village in which licenses are issued shall, and any other village and any county may, contract for pound or shelter services with any other municipality or with any incorporated humane society or similar incorporated dog protective association, or shall establish and maintain, jointly or with one or more other municipalities, a pound or shelter.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Michael T Cowles**
TITLE: **DCO**
REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 64**
REVIEWED DATE: **05/08/2023**